

S. J. R. No. 1

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1 S. J. R. No. 1 By: Kazen
2 (In the Senate - Filed January 17, 1963; January 17, 1963,
3 read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional
4 Amendments, February 6, 1963, reported favorably as amended;
5 February 6, 1963, sent to printer.)
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64 Committee Amendment No. 1

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67 in lieu thereof the words and figures, "February 1, 1965."
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1 Committee Amendment No. 2 By: Kazen
2 Amend S. J. R. 1, Section 2, by striking out the words
3 and figures "September 14, 1963," and substituting in lieu
4 thereof the following:
5 "the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November,
6 1964,"
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Austin, Texas
February 6, 1963

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12 Hon. Preston Smith
13 President of the Senate
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15 Sir:


16 We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments to whom was
17 referred S. J. R. No. 1, have had the same under consideration,
18 and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the
19 recommendation that it do pass as amended and be printed.
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As amended


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Chairman

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Committee Amendment No. 1

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ADOPTED

MAR 19 1963

Schnabel
SECRETARY OF SENATE

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Amend caption to conform to body
of bill.

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6 amended and ordered engrossed; March 19, 1963, amend caption to conform to
7 body of bill; March 19, 1963, Senate Rule 32 and 45, and Constitutional Rule
8 (Sec. 32, Art. III) failed to suspend by a vote of 21 Yeas, 6 Nays, to place
9 bill on third reading and final passage.)

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CHARLES SCHNABEL
Secretary of the Senate

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12 March 19, 1963, Engrossed.

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ESSIE MCGINNIS
Engrossing Clerk

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15 (March 26, 1963, regular order of business suspended by vote of 19 yeas,
16 7 nays to permit consideration; March 26, 1963, read third time; March 26,
17 1963, withdrawn from consideration at this time; March 26, 1963, set for
18 special order on Monday, April 1, after morning call, by vote of 18 yeas,
19 8 nays; April 1, 1963, laid out and passed by the following vote: Yeas 22,
20 Nays 7.)

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CHARLES SCHNABEL
Secretary of the Senate

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23 April 1, 1963, Sent to House.

24 April 1, 1963, Received from the Senate,

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DOROTHY HALLMAN

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Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

27 (In the House. --April 2, 1963, read first time and referred to Committee
28 on Constitutional Amendments: May 8, 1963, reported favorably, as
29 amended; May 8, 1963, sent to Printer.)

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12 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. 1

13 AMEND S. J. R. No. 1, Subsection 2 of Section 1 by striking out the words
14 and figures "February 1, 1965" and substituting in lieu thereof the words and
15 figures "February 1, 1964."

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18 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. 2

19 AMEND S. J. R. NO. 1, Section 2 by striking out the words and figures
20 "the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 1964" and substituting
21 in lieu thereof the following "September 14, 1963."

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24 COMMITTEE REPORT

25 COMMITTEE ROOM

26 Austin, Texas, May 8, 1963

27 Hon. Byron M. Tunnell, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

28 SIR: We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was
29 referred S. J. R. No. 1, have had the same under consideration and beg to
30 report back with recommendation that it do pass, as amended, and be
31 printed.

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FORM B

(For favorable reports on bills where committee amendments other than "committee substitutes" are recommended; and for resolutions where committee amendments, including complete substitutes, are recommended.)

COMMITTEE ROOM

Date 5/8/63

HON. BYRON M. TUNNELL

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir:

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referred SJR No. 1, have had the same under consideration

and ~~beg to report back with recommendation that it do pass~~, as amended, and be printed.

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Chairman.

(In the case of simple and concurrent resolutions the words "and be printed" should be stricken out since resolutions are printed in the Journal when they are first introduced.)

The word "not" should be inserted before "printed" only in case of a local bill reported favorably with amendments and ordered not printed, which is customary for local bills.)

Amend SJR/ by amending
line 60 of the printed bill
to read

"Saturday after the first Monday
in November 1963"

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DATE MAY 15 1963

READ AND ADOPTED, by vote 85 yeas
Dorothy Hallman 56 yeas
CHIEF CLERK
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 15 1968

MOTION TO RECONSIDER THE VOTE BY
WHICH Amendment WAS
ADOPTED / ~~PASSED~~ AND TO TABLE THE MOTION TO RECON-
SIDER PREVAILED ~~PASSED~~ BY A Non-Record VOTE OF
AYES ~~YEAS~~
Dorothy Hallman
CHIEF CLERK HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Amend S.R. 1, by changing the words and figure in line 50 of the printed bill to read "December 1, 1963."

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MAY 15 1963

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READ AND ADOPTED

Dorothy Halloman
CLERK OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Lieutenant Governor
President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S. J. R. No. 1 passed the Senate on April 1, 1963, by the following vote: Yeas 22, Nays 7;
May 24, 1963, Senate concurred in House amendments by the following vote: Yeas 23, Nays 7.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S. J. R. No. 1 was adopted by the House on May 15, 1963, with amendments, by the following vote: Yeas 109, Nays 27.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE

9:30

LOCKED Mr

MAY 17 1963

Charles C. Martin
Secretary of State

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JAN 17 1963

Read first time
and referred to Committee
on Constitutional
Amendments,

FEB 6 1963

Reported Favorably,
as amended.

MAR 19 1963

Regular order of business
suspended by vote of

22 yeas, 7 nays,
to permit consideration.

MAR 19 1963

READ SECOND TIME, amended
AND ORDERED ENGROSSED

MAR 19 1963

Amend caption to conform to body
of bill.

MAR 19 1963

Senate Rule 32 and 45, and
Constitutional Rule (Sec. 32, Art. III)
failed to suspend by a vote of 21 yeas,
6 nays, to place bill on third
reading and final passage.

C. Charles Schnabel, Secretary of the
Senate

3-19- 19 63 Engrossed

Essie Melser
Engrossing Clerk

By: Kazen

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- 1-17-63 Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.
- 2-6-63 Reported favorably, as amended.
- 3-19-63 Regular order of business suspended by vote of 22 Yeas, 7 Nays, to permit consideration.
- 3-19-63 Read second time, amended and ordered engrossed.
- 3-19-63 Amend caption to conform to body of bill.
- 3-19-63 Senate Rule 32 and 45, and Constitutional Rule (Sec. 32, Art. III) failed to suspend by a vote of 21 Yeas, 6 Nays, to place bill on third reading and final passage.

Charles Schnabel, Secretary of the Senate

3-19-63 Engrossed.

Essie Mc. Dennis
ENGROSSING CLERK

MAR 26 1963

Regular order of business
suspended by vote of

19 yeas, 7 nays
to permit consideration.

MAR 26 1963

Read third time.

MAR 26 1963

*Withdrawn from consideration
at this time.*

MAR 26 1963

Set for special order on Monday,
April 1, after morning call,
by vote of 18 yeas, 8 nays.

APR 1 1963

Laid out and
~~READ THIRD TIME~~ PASSED
BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

Yeas 22 Nays 7

Charles Schnabel
Secretary of the Senate

APR 1 1963

SENT TO HOUSE

APR 1 - 1963

Received from
the Senate.

Dorothy Hallman
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

APR 2 - 1963

READ 1ST TIME
AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON

Constitutional Amendments

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(over)

MAY 8 1963

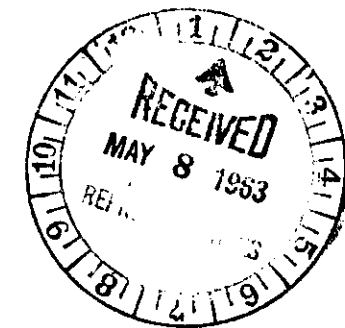
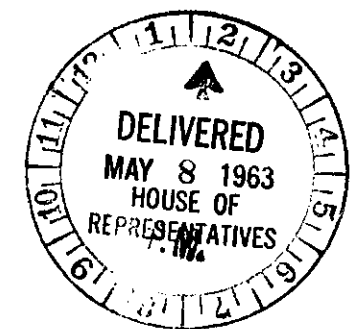
MAY 8 1963

REPORTED FAVORABLY AS AMENDED SENT TO PRINTER
RETURNED FROM PRINTER. SENT TO SPEAKER

MAY 15 1963

Read Second Time *Amended* and passed to
third reading by vote ayes, noes ✓

finally adopted.



MAY 15 1963

Read Second Time, *Amended* and passed to
third reading by vote *109* ayes, *27* noes.

Dorothy Hallman

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

MAY 15 1963

RETURNED TO SENATE

MAY 15 1963

RETURNED *Amended*
FROM HOUSE

MAY 24 1963

Senate reconsidered vote by
which Senate refused to
concur in House amend-
ments - by vote of
22 yeas, 9 nays.

MAY 24 1963

By unanimous consent,
motion not to concur
was withdrawn by
the Senate.

MAY 24 1963

Senate concurred in House amend-
ments by the following vote: *23*
yeas, *7* nays.

MAY 20 1963

The Senate refused to concur in
House amendments and requested
the appointment of a Conference
Committee to adjust the differ-
ences between the two Houses.

MAY 20 1963

Conference Committee was appointed
on the part of the ~~House~~
Senate

MAY 21 1963

The House has granted the request
of the Senate for the appointment
of a Conference Committee to adjust
the differences between the two
Houses.

MAY 21 1963

Conference Committee was appointed
on the part of the ~~Senate~~
House